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NEIL ROBERTS, ET AL. : ART UNIT: 1651
SERIAL NO.: 09/763,018 : EXAMINER: Gitomer, Ralph
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**FOR: PROCESS FOR THE RAPID MEASUREMENT OF ENZYMATIC
ACTIVITY IN A SOLID FEED SAMPLE (as amended)**

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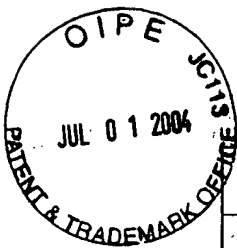
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:


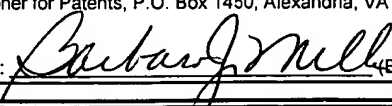
Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket No. 10892-00009-US	
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Applicant(s): Neil Roberts et al.					
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